(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं और सरकार द्वारा की जा रही कार्यवाही का ब्यौरा क्या है?

**गृह मंत्री (एस० बी० चव्हाण):** (क) विदेशी अभिदाय की प्राप्ति से संबंधित उपबंधों के उल्लंघन के लिए विदेशी अभिदाय (विनियमन) अधिनियम, 1976 के अंतर्गत कार्रवाई की जाती है। सी०ए०पी०ए०आर०टी० द्वारा इस प्रकार का कोई मामला हमारे ध्यान में नहीं लाया गया।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता है।

**Private Sector Firms in Import, Bottling And Distribution of LPG**

*48. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any Indian or foreign private sector firms have been permitted to operate in the area of import, bottling and distribution of LPG for domestic and commercial use;

(b) if so, the details of the firms, their capacity and areas of operation; and

(c) their respective market prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Under the Parallel Marketing System, private parties, Indian or foreign, have been allowed to import and market LPG, using/setting up their own infrastructure and distribution networks, at market determined prices, under their own terms. Private parties are not required to obtain any licence from the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas for undertaking activities under the scheme. They are, however, required to obtain clearances under the relevant Acts and Rules regarding safety, pollution control etc., as applicable. The private parties are also now required to get themselves rated from one of the approved rating agencies and submit the rating certificate to the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas and others concerned.

Private parties can market imported LPG in any part of the country. The prices at which the products are sold by the private parties are not maintained by the Government. So far 55 parties have been rated for parallel marketing of LPG. As on 15.11.1995, 13 parties have imported 85900 MTs of LPG in bulk and two parties have imported 190 MTs of packed LPG.

**Disruption in postal services in Delhi**

*49. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Postal services in Delhi were badly affected in the month of October 1995 following slow work/informal strike by postal employees; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government are aware that thousands of registered/ordinary letters were either not delivered or took